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| Application No. 09/040,161 |) Group Art Unit: 1651 |
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| For: Method for Preparing Cell Cultures |)) |
| From Biological Specimens for |) |
| Chemotherapeutic and Other Assays |) |

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2004, the period for response being extended through November 3, 2004, by the attached petition for extension of time and appropriate fee, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.

Please amend the application as follows:

Pending Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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